

## MINUTES

### COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 736 RICHLAND AVENUE, W., AIKEN, S. C.

SPECIAL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 16, 2003 – 6:45 P. M.

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#### (A) CALL TO ORDER

Determining that a quorum was present, Chairman Young called the meeting to order.

Council Members present:

Chairman Ronnie Young  
Kathy Rawls  
Scott Singer  
LaWana McKenzie  
Chuck Smith  
Eddie Butler  
Charles Barton  
Rick Osbon  
Willar H. Hightower, Jr.

Also present:

J. Clay Killian, County Administrator  
Robert M. Bell, County Attorney  
Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

#### (B) INVOCATION

Councilman Hightower led in the invocation.

#### (C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Osbon led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### (D) PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Citizens Comments on Proposed Millage Rates of 66.5 for FY 2004.
  - a. In response to Councilman Butler's question, Mr. Killian explained that South Carolina State Law put a millage rate cap on county governments every year, telling them what the percentage increase can be each year. If the millage rate exceeds that cap, the Law requires that a Special Meeting be held to approve that amount.
  - b. Councilman Singer clarified that the allocated funding for Aiken Technical College as well as the additional funding the College had requested was included.

#### (E) OLD BUSINESS

1. Proposed Resolution to Establish Millage Rates for FY 2004  
(County Council)
  - a. Councilman Hightower made a motion for the approval. Councilman Butler seconded.

- b. Passed by majority vote with Councilwoman Rawls and Councilman Smith voting in opposition.
- c. Councilwoman McKenzie made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting. Councilman Butler seconded.
- d. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous vote.

(F) ADJOURNMENT – 6:55 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

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Ronnie Young, Chairman